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WALKER STATEMENT ON BOARD'S REACTION TO VETO

MILWAUKEE – County Executive Scott Walker issued the following statement on the Milwaukee County Board's reaction to his veto of their attempted tax increase referendum:

“The reaction by some members of the County Board to my veto of an attempted tax increase goes right to the heart of the old adage: fool me once, shame on you; fool me twice, shame on me.

The claim that by raising tax rates we will actually decrease taxes has bitten us before. The last time we were fed that line, in 1991, the tax levy went up by 55% over the next 10 years.

If looking out for the already overtaxed citizens of Milwaukee County, as well as local business and commerce, makes me ‘arbitrary,’ then I hope there are at least seven ‘arbitrary’ members of the board that uphold this common sense veto.

Bottom line: We’ve heard this before. We don’t need \$120 million annually in new taxes.”

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